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The present invention is based on the observation that the lubricating properties of hydraulic fluids comprising 85 per cent. by weight or more of liquid alkylene or polyalkylene glycols and/or ethers thereof and/or monohydric aliphatic alcohols can be enhanced or modified by incorporating as lubrication improving component 15 to 3 per cent by weight of a boric acid ester with mono- or poly-hydric alcohols or other hydroxy compounds, or their mixtures or a salt of boric acid with an amino base including ammonia or mixtures of these compounds.

Boric acid esters are especially suitable. The esterification components may be mono-, di- or polyhydric alcohols or any compounds, for example, amines, containing hydroxyl groups. As such components there may be mentioned, for example, ethylene glycol, 1:2-propylene glycol, 1:3-butylene glycol, di- or tri-ethylene glycol, higher polyalkylene glycols, glycerine and penta-erythritol, the molecular ratio of boric acid to the alcohol being chosen as desired. Among the salts those with ethanolamines may be mentioned.

The aforesaid components need not be

especially its resistance to low temperatures, its behaviour towards rubber and metals, and its compatibility with other hydraulic fluids, remain substantially unchanged. The usual anti-corrosion agents can also be used with the boric acid compounds substantially without undergoing change. Also about 2 per cent. of castor oil and about 2 per cent. of water can be added to the hydraulic fluid.

In the following examples are given the compositions of a few hydraulic fluids in accordance with the invention, the parts being by weight:

EXAMPLE 1.

55	parts of triethylene glycol.	
10	.., polyethylene glycol monoethyl ether.	80
10	.., polyethylene glycol monomethyl ether.	
10	.., polyethylene glycol monobutyl ether.	85
15	.., an ester consisting of the reaction product from 7.5 parts by weight of ethylene glycol and 7.5 parts by weight of boric acid.	90
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	EXAMPLE 2.
18	parts of diethylene glycol.
20	" triethylene glycol.
5	50 " polyethylene glycol
	monobutyl ether.
5	5 " ethyleneglycol monoethyl
	ether.
2	2 " castor oil.
10	5 " triethanolamine borate.
	EXAMPLE 3.
10	10 parts of ethylene glycol.
30	" triethylene glycol
15	10 " diacetone alcohol
20	20 " polyethylene glycol
	monomethyl ether.
20	20 " polyethylene glycol
	monoethyl ether.
10	10 " boric acid glycerine ester,
20	consisting of the reaction
	product from 116 parts by
	weight of glycerine (86%)
	and 134 parts by weight of
	boric acid.
	EXAMPLE 4.
25	60 parts of triethylene glycol
20	" dipropylene glycol
	monoethyl ether.
10	" ethyl alcohol.
30	2 " water
30	8 " a boric acid ester prepared
	from:
	3.4 parts by weight of 1:3-butylene
	glycol.
35	2.4 parts by weight of boric acid.
	2.3 parts by weight of triethanolamine.
	EXAMPLE 5.
	50 parts of triethylene glycol.
30	" ethylene glycol
	monethyl ether.
40	10 " polypropylene glycol
	monobutyl ether.
10	" an esterification product
	from:
45	4.5 parts by weight of thiodiglycol, and
	5.5 parts by weight of boric acid.

What we claim is:

1. Hydraulic fluids comprising 85 per cent. by weight or more of liquid alkylene or polyalkylene glycols and/or ethers therof and/50 or monohydric aliphatic alcohols and as lubrication improving component 15 to 3 per cent. by weight of a boric acid ester with mono- or poly-hydric alcohols or other hydroxy compounds or their mixtures or a salt of boric acid with an amino base including ammonia or mixtures of these compounds.
2. Hydraulic fluids as claimed in Claim 1, wherein the compound of boric acid is an 60 ester of boric acid with a glycol or polyglycol.
3. Hydraulic fluids as claimed in claim 1, wherein the compound of boric acid is an ester of boric acid with a polyglycol of which 65 the oxygen of the ether bridge or bridges is wholly or in part replaced by sulphur.
4. Hydraulic fluids as claimed in Claim 1, wherein the compound of boric acid is a salt 70 of boric acid with an ethanolamine.
5. Hydraulic fluids as claimed in any one 75 of Claims 1 to 4 containing about 2 per cent. of castor oil.
6. Hydraulic fluids as claimed in any one of Claims 1 - 5 containing about 2 per cent. of water.
7. A hydraulic liquid having substantially 80 the composition given in any one of the Examples herein.

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